

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

2 [0023] An accessory for a computer provides both an auxiliary battery and a port  
replicator in an integrated unit. In one embodiment, the accessory includes a docking  
4 connector, a battery, and at least one communication port, with the battery and  
communication port connected to the docking connector so that power from the  
6 battery and communication signals to the communication port can pass through the  
docking connector.